

**Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain  
who build it...** Psalm 127:1a

**Ministry:**

**The Table**

**Every Wednesday Evening**  
Washington & Chestnut Sts. 7:00 pm

**Worship:**

**Tabernacle Worship Service**

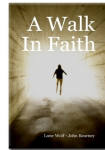
**Every Sunday Evening**  
St. John's Parish House  
75 East Main St. South Pottstown 7:00 pm

**Announcements:**

**New Choices/New Options** Free Career Development Program  
This is a FREE intensive Career Counseling, Personal Growth, Job Readiness, and Computer Training program for those preparing to return to work due to life circumstances or looking to improve their opportunities in the job market. The program is open to single parents, displaced homemakers, and people in transition. Childcare reimbursement available. Program Services include: Computer Training - Skill and Interest Assessments - Job Placement Assistance - Self-Esteem Development - Peer Support - Career Testing - Job Search Skills - Resume Writing - Interviewing Skills - Career Counseling. If interested please contact Pastor Kork.



**We have a new published Author among us.** We have just published **John Kearney's** first book, "A Walk In Faith." Please see the church office to order your own copy of this excellent book. And please congratulate John on a job well done—for God's glory!



**You are invited to dinner at the "Community Table." Tuesday, February 6 at 6:00 pm at the Birdsboro Community Library.** This is in association with Hopewell Love INC. Contact the church office for more info.

Thank you for your prayers while we address the growing problem of homelessness here in Pottstown. We are hosting the shelter in the Parish House this month and **still looking for volunteers** for this ministry. This collaborative is called **The Ministries at MAIN Street.** To volunteer please see Pastor Kork.

**Our Mayor has asked us to pray and fast...**

In another ministry appeal—who would enter into a fast of corporate agreement for Pottstown from January 1 until February 9. Much victory was commanded by the nation of Israel as they proclaimed corporate fasting. Our fast times will be from noon until 4 pm daily for maximum participation. Consider this in prayer. The lent season will be the next 'corporate opportunity'. This is a Lighthouse of prayer initiative.  
Sharon Valentine-Thomas

*Melvin Is Home!*

**Next week...**

**psalm 1, jeremiah 17.5-10,  
luke 6.17-26, & 1 corinthians 15.12-20**

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**"He restores my soul . . .  
surely goodness and mercy will follow me"** Psalm 23



*The week of February 4th, 2007*  
**Unraveled for God's use**

**"...when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' "**  
(Lk. 5.8)

*leaving everything to follow him...*

**Worship**

psalm 138  
isaiah 6:1-13  
luke 5:1-11, &  
1 corinthians 15:1-11

**Our Mission**

To pursue God's heart and mission of building a worshipful faith community within the Pottstown area, through good works and home churches; recognizing Jesus as King of the universe, and worshipping Him privately and publicly because He is worthy.

**Benediction**

## [Worship]

### 1 corinthians 15 .1-11

1 Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, 2 through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. 3 For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, 4 and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. 6

Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. 8 Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. 11 Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

### Your Notes:

### Meditation:

*"And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." (Isa. 6 .5-7)*

## [The Scripture]

### luke 5 .1-11

1 Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, 2 he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3 He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." 5 Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." 6 When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. 7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" 9 For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who are partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." 11 When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.



## [Think & Pray...]

**Reflection:** We moderns do not like to dwell on God's holiness, but healthy respect for the One whose name was not even uttered by the ancients fills the Isaiah text, and also appears in Peter's and Paul's sense of unworthiness.

Peter recognizes the limitless distance between himself and the Lord: "Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man." We can all say the same, and in such moments of clarity before God's majesty we rely on Jesus' answer: "Do not be afraid."

Isaiah, Peter, and Paul all embody the paradox of chosenness that we also face: Their limitations are real and stated up front, yet God chooses them anyway.

Please also read

psalm 138 & isaiah 6 .1-13